

## WARSHIPS TO COLLECT DEBTS.

### THE HAGUE COURT APPROVES PLAN IN VENEZUELA'S CASE.

**Decides That England, Germany and Italy Have Preferential Rights Over Creditors Who Did Not Use Force—Decision Disappointing to This Government—May Cause More Trouble.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Keen disappointment is felt in Government circles over the decision of The Hague Court of Arbitration that England, Germany and Italy, which sought to collect indebtedness due them from Venezuela by a resort to force, are entitled to preference in receiving payment over the national creditors of Venezuela, which did not abandon diplomatic means of securing their money. The award will be accepted by the United States without question, an official of the State Department declared, but the Government could not but feel that it places a premium on violence and encourages the principle of collecting international debts through the ordinary channels of diplomacy.

In some quarters the fear is expressed that it will encourage non-American nations to attempt by the use of force to compel Latin-American countries to settle with them. The excitement and anxiety in the United States while England, Germany and Italy were bombarding Venezuelan ports has not been forgotten by the Government, which realized how dangerous the situation was to its own peace and welfare.

The disappointment here is not due to any pecuniary consideration. As a matter of fact, the decision does nothing more than to postpone the time within which the and the other non-banking nations will secure payment of their Venezuelan claims. The case as presented to The Hague Court was, speaking generally, whether England, Germany and Italy were entitled to have their claims against Venezuela liquidated before or continuously with the United States, France, Spain, Belgium, Holland, Sweden and Norway, Denmark and Mexico, the nations which did not seek to coerce Venezuela into paying what she owed them. Venezuela, however, was not a party to the tribunal's decision, as she was already pledged to pay all foreign claims, and only awaited instructions from The Hague Court as to whether she should begin making partial payment to all the nations concerned, or pay the blockading Powers the entire amount due them before giving anything to the others.

Under the terms of the peace protocols signed here a year ago by Herbert W. Bowen, then Commissioner Plenipotentiary of Venezuela, and the representatives in Washington of the nations concerned, Venezuela was to set aside monthly 30 percent of the customs revenues collected at La Guayra and Puerto Cabello as a fund with which the claims of the foreign nations should be liquidated. The collections to date have been deposited in an English bank in Caracas awaiting The Hague Tribunal's decision. It is estimated that these revenues will average \$1,000,000 yearly. As the approved claims of England, Germany and Italy amount to about \$2,000,000, they cannot be satisfied for more than another year. Installments on the claims of the non-banking Powers will then be begun. These aggregate about \$5,000,000, and it will take five years to pay them.

It was the belief of this Government that it had a sure case. It was confident that the tribunal would not decide that the use of force entitled a nation to greater consideration in the collection of debts than a nation which sought to collect its just dues through peaceable diplomacy. The principal representative of the United States before the tribunal was the Hon. Wayne MacVough, former Attorney-General and Ambassador to Italy. With him were associated William L. Penfield, Solicitor of the State Department, and Herbert W. Bowen, United States Minister to Venezuela.

## MUST PAY BLOCKADERS FIRST.

### Decision of The Hague Court Against Venezuela's Peaceful Creditors.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
THE HAGUE, Feb. 22.—The Arbitration Court adjudicated to-day the Venezuelan claims. It found unanimously that the three blockading Powers, Great Britain, Germany and Italy, have rights preferential over the other claimant nations in regard to the allotment of 30 per cent. of the customs receipts of La Guayra and Puerto Cabello assigned by Venezuela for the payment of its foreign creditors.

Each party is ordered to pay its own costs and an equal share of the costs incurred by the court. The United States is commissioned to carry out the judgment of the court within three months.

The tribunal recites the facts that since 1901 Venezuela refused arbitration proposed on several occasions by Germany and Great Britain, that after the war no formal treaty of peace was concluded, that the operations of the blockaders were stopped before they had received satisfaction for all their claims, that the question of preferential treatment was admitted to arbitration and that in adhering to the protocols signed at Washington the blockaders could not have intended to renounce their acquired rights nor their privileged de facto position. The Government of Venezuela itself had recognized in principle that their claims were well founded, while it had not recognized those of the non-banking Powers, and until the end of January, 1903, made not the slightest protest against the claims for preferred treatment.

The good faith which should direct international relations imposes the duty on the tribunal of declaring that the words "all claims" employed by the Venezuelan representative in the negotiations with the representatives of the allied Powers could relate only to the latter Powers.

M. Muraviev, the Russian Minister of Justice, who acted as president of the tribunal, announced the decision. He said that the findings had been reached after minute and impartial investigation. Like all human acts, the decision was susceptible of criticism; but, now that it was made, everyone should accept it. The arbitration, begun in times of peace, ended amid the sinister acts of war, which was a terrible obstacle in the path of light and progress. In spite of all good will, no one was secure against an unexpected hostile attack. A nation was obliged to accept a war when the legitimate defence of honor and liberty was involved. The just Providence which ruled over battles will distinguish between right and unfounded pretensions. At the end of this war between a European and an

## ASIAN PEOPLE THE RIGHT WILL SHINE OUT AFRESH.

The president concluded by saying that The Hague Arbitration Tribunal remains always the rampart of justice, truth and reason and the sublime hope of the future.

## SAVED BY DRIVER'S NERVE.

**Williams Got His Party Out of His Coach Just Before a Train Smashed It.**

Miss Edna Vanderhooff, 18 years old, and Miss Margery Hoff, 18 years old, both of Newark, N. J., Fred Bush of Caldwell, and Howard Williams, driver for Liveryman Christian Volk of Newark, narrowly escaped death about 8 o'clock last night while on the way to a leap year party. They jumped from a coach only an instant before it and the team attached to it were struck by a Lackawanna Railroad train at the Third street crossing in Newark, and hurled into an excavation twenty-five feet deep.

The horses landed only a few feet from where Miss Vanderhooff lay. She had dropped into the ditch at the sharp command of the driver, whose presence of mind alone saved the entire party from death.

The coach was reduced to kindling wood and both horses were killed. Miss Vanderhooff was slightly cut and bruised and severely shocked. It could not be determined last night whether she was internally hurt.

Williams drove across the tracks from the north side, where the street is full width, and drove into a fence, which narrows the passage on the other side. The front feet of his horses went over the edge of the excavation and a few hundred feet away a fast, eastbound train was approaching. He appreciated the danger instantly. Springing from his seat he opened the coach door, dragged Miss Hoff out and unconsciously stopped in and pushed Miss Vanderhooff through the other door and then jumped out, pulling Bush with him.

All got to places of safety except Miss Vanderhooff. She was in the path of the train. Williams shouted to her to slip from the track and over the side of the excavation. She did so and hung to the planking by her fingers. "Drop!" shouted Williams. She obeyed and went to the bottom of the ditch just as the train hit the coach and horses and hurled them over her.

Miss Vanderhooff was sent home. Miss Hoff and Bush continued to the party in another coach, but as soon as they reached there the former became so hysterical that she had to be taken home.

## RAID DE FOREST GYMNASIUM.

**Patrol Wagon in Madison Avenue Full of Prizefight Prisoners.**

Police Captain Tighe of the East Fifty-first street station, together with his detectives and all the reserves of the precinct, last night raided a prize fight at "Prof. James De Forest's gymnasium and physical culture school, at 619 Madison avenue. Two lightweight principals, as many seconds and thirty-eight spectators were captured and locked up.

The raid attracted a fashionable crowd. The police say that the spectators were of a much better class than are usually crowded around a prizefight. The admission for the bout, the cops say, was \$2. A tip got to Capt. Tighe, and he hid his reserves in a stable around the corner on Fifty-fifth street. Then, with the detectives, he climbed up the stairs to the second floor and gained admission to the hall where the ring was pitched.

The scrapper was caught "with the goods," being in the ring surrounded by their seconds. The referee had not put in an appearance and the two pugilists were having a row about the purse. One of them was white. His name, according to the programme, is Joe Young. The other was billed as Stoneval Jackson.

Among the prisoners was De Forest. It took four trips with two patrol wagons to get the fruits of the raid to the station in East Fifty-first street. There they gave all kinds of addresses and names. De Forest was the first to be bailed out. Some of the others were being liberated early this morning.

## ICE MOUND AT NIAGARA FALLS.

**Unsuccessful Attempt to Destroy It With Dynamite—Ice 30 to 40 Feet Thick.**

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 22.—During the severe weather a huge mound of ice formed on Prospect Point, overhanging the American Falls. It is from thirty to forty feet thick and has proved to be a remarkable viewpoint. Last night crevices appeared in it and Supt. Perry of the State reservation decided to dynamite it, fearing a possible accident.

This afternoon men drilled holes along the upper river line of it and buried dynamite in the ice. The blasts were exploded, but the great mass was not destroyed, the cracks being made only slightly larger. The hope was that the mass of ice would be blown into the current and swept over the falls, but owing to the slight resistance offered by the ice to the dynamite this did not take place, neither was it blown into the gorge. To-morrow morning another effort will be made, and it is expected that the mound will have to be blasted away in small sections.

## THIEF WITH ELECTRIC LIGHT.

**He Steals \$3,000 Worth of Jewelry From Pupils of Mrs. Hazen's School.**

PELHAM MANOR, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Mrs. John Cunningham Hazen's school for girls in Pelham Manor was visited by a burglar this evening while the pupils were at dinner. He got away with about \$3,000 worth of their jewelry. The police say he is the same fellow who recently robbed a house in New Rochelle. He does his work by the light of an electric lantern instead of matches or a candle. Mrs. Hazen's school has among its pupils Gen. Chaffee's daughter and the daughter of Judge Martin J. Keogh.

The burglar climbed up one of the veranda pillars and entered the dormitory from the second floor. He left the building by the same route. When the burglary was discovered the Pelham Manor police were telephoned for and they sent out a general alarm to the police of Westchester county and New York city.

## ARRESTED AS A PROFESSIONAL ESCORT.

Capt. McDermott of the Fifth street station, who is trying to drive streetwalkers out of his precinct, arrested last night Moritz Berger of 57 Seventh street on a charge of vagrancy. The police say that Berger acts as a professional escort for women who want to get into East Side saloons and Rialto law hotels.

**QUICKEST ROUTE.**  
To Florida is via Seaboard Florida Limited. Solid Pullman train with dining car service. Leave New York 12:35 P. M. Office, 1180 Broadway.—Ad.

## MRS. PAYNE'S THIEF CAUGHT.

### POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S WIFE WILL GET HER JEWELS BACK.

Debonair and Pretty Widow. Found in Brooklyn. Confesses and Gives Up the Trinkets—Unruffled by Capture, She Wishes to Hasten to Washington.

Mrs. Agnes French, a pretty brunette, who said she was a widow, 37 years old, and that she lived in Washington, D. C., was arrested in Brooklyn by Detective Sergeant Carroll, Gilpin and Smith yesterday afternoon, charged with stealing jewelry and money from the wife of Postmaster-General Payne in her apartments in the Arlington Hotel in Washington, on Thursday last. The Washington police had sent a description of Mrs. French throughout the country.

On Sunday night a Washington detective went to Brooklyn, having obtained a clue that the pretty widow was visiting friends there. He communicated with Capt. Pinkerton, who is in charge of the Detective Bureau, and Detective Sergeant Carroll and Gilpin were assigned to aid him, as was also Detective Smith, from Mulberry street. Mrs. French was located with friends somewhere near Fulton and Cumberland streets, but exactly where the police refused to say. She was watched carefully and yesterday afternoon, when she was walking on Fulton street, near Cumberland street, Detective Sergeant Carroll and Gilpin stepped up to her and asked her to accompany them to the Smith street headquarters.

"Why, certainly," she replied. "But why do you desire my presence there?" She was informed that she was suspected of having robbed the wife of Postmaster-General Payne while acting as a nurse for his wife, who was ill.

"I'm not a nurse," she said in a jolly way. "I'm a maid, and was employed by Mr. Payne."

"Then you are the woman we are after," said the detectives.

At the Smith street headquarters, after giving her pedigree, she said: "You've got me and I'm guilty. There is only one more thing for me to do, and that is to turn over the goods."

"We'll send for them," said the captain, glad that she had made the confession. "There's no use of doing that," she replied sweetly. "I've got them right here."

Tapping her breast she indicated that the jewelry was inside her corset. Then, exposing herself, she turned her back on the captain and the detectives, and brought forth the articles and laid them on the desk.

"There they are," she said. She was searched and \$55 was found in her pocketbook. This also was placed alongside the stolen articles.

"Why did you take the jewelry?" Capt. Pinkerton asked.

"Oh, they're not worth much, and then, you see, I needed the money," she replied.

The pretty widow turned over to the police one pearl necklace, one ring with five diamonds, one ring with five rubies, one opal stick pin, one lace pin with ruby and pearl setting, one pair of diamond earrings, one neck chain, one solitary diamond ring, two rings with five diamonds each, one ring with five garnets, one pin with three opal pendants, one necklace with imitation rubies, one necklace with opal, diamond and pearl setting, two pins, each with two opal pendants, one fur boa and \$55 in cash.

On Thursday, when Postmaster-General Payne discovered his loss, he notified the police of Washington that the jewelry was worth \$1,000, and that \$150 in cash also had been stolen.

Mrs. French said she wanted to be taken back to Washington at once, but she was told that this could not be done, as she would have to be arraigned before a Police Magistrate in the morning. The Washington detective was also charged that he could not take his fair prisoner to the capital at once. She was then escorted to the Amity street station, where there is a matron. This morning she will be arraigned in the Adams street police court. She will be discharged from custody by the Magistrate for want of jurisdiction and will be turned over to a United States Deputy Marshal and arraigned before a United States Commissioner in the Federal Building.

At the Amity street station she was asked if she had anything to say regarding the robbery, or her arrest, and she said: "Thank you, nothing to-night. All I've got to say has been said to the police. I wish I were back in Washington."

She also declined to say where she had been staying since her arrival in Brooklyn, but she told Capt. Pinkerton that she had left Washington on Thursday evening.

## PANIC AT A SMALL FIRE.

**Essex Street Tenement's Fire Escapes Crowded at Afternoon Blaze.**

A small fire in the six story double decker tenement at 84 Essex street yesterday afternoon created a panic among the tenants, who swarmed out on the front and rear fire escapes and ran frightened through the smoke-filled hallways to the roof. Mrs. R. Fleischer and her three young children were prevented from jumping from the fifth floor fire escape directly above the blazing apartment only by the timely arrival of Policemen McCullon and Leonard, who pulled them back into their room and carried them to the roof and thence to a place of safety.

The fire started in the rooms of Julius Adelman on the fourth floor. The Adelman family were out and the whole apartment was ablaze before the flames were discovered. On account of the holiday the working families of the families were at home and made a bigger crowd to be cared for than is usual at an afternoon fire. The fire was confined to the Adelman apartment.

## RUSSIA OUT OF ST. LOUIS FAIR.

**Notice of Her Decision Given to Ambassador McCormick.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Mr. McCormick, the American Ambassador at St. Petersburg, has informed the State Department by telegram that the Russian Government has officially notified him of its intention to withdraw from participation in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

## COREA WITHDRAWS FROM THE FAIR.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 22.—Corea has forwarded her withdrawal from participation in the World's Fair.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grape Juice are superior for your sick days. New York 12:35 P. M. Office, 1180 Broadway.—Ad.

## MRS. KUNZMANN A SUICIDE.

**She Takes Poison in Her Upright Home—Was Ill and Had Recently Lost Money.**

Mrs. Marie Kunzmann, a widow, who was 43 years old, committed suicide yesterday morning by drinking carbolic acid at her residence, 896 West End avenue. According to Coroner Scholer, who visited the house yesterday, Mrs. Kunzmann had been a sufferer from asthma for several years and had also been worrying much lately over financial affairs. Her husband, the Coroner says, was a partner of former Secretary of War Elihu Root when the latter was practicing law in this city. Kunzmann died about eight years ago and left considerable property.

The estate, Coroner Scholer says, was placed under the care of a relative and recently most of the property has been lost. Even the house where Mrs. Kunzmann lived on West End avenue was mortgaged and the mortgage was foreclosed last month.

At breakfast yesterday morning Mrs. Kunzmann complained of an attack of asthma and retired to her bedroom. Shortly before 11 o'clock her youngest daughter, Eibel, went to her mother's room and knocked on the door. Getting no response, she entered and found her mother stretched on the floor. The daughter alarmed the other occupants of the house, and Dr. Julius Stegmair, the family physician, was summoned. Dr. Stegmair pronounced Mrs. Kunzmann dead as soon as he arrived. On a table nearby was found an empty bottle that had contained carbolic acid.

Mrs. Kunzmann is survived by two daughters and a son. They are Eibel, 15 years old; Mabel, 17 years, and Joseph, 20 years.

## ACTOR PREACHER SUE.

**The Rev. W. S. Fritch a Defendant in an Allegation Case.**

ATTLEBORO, Mass., Feb. 22.—The Rev. Wilson S. Fritch, pastor of the Pilgrim Church of Attleboro, is defendant in a suit to recover damages to the amount of \$30,000 because of the alleged alienation of the affections of the wife of an Abington man. Charles A. Whitmarsh is the plaintiff. This action was begun as long ago as December and was not made public until after the clergyman had given notice of his purpose to leave the pulpit for the stage and had said of religion that he felt he "can teach its truths better on the stage than from the pulpit."

Incidental to the suit for damages there is a divorce suit pending. Mrs. Whitmarsh being the plaintiff. She alleges that her husband "grossly, wantonly and cruelly refuses to provide suitable maintenance for her." Mrs. Whitmarsh has been a resident of Abington many years and for the last ten years she has been the proprietor of a boarding house. Among the boarders some years ago was Mr. Fritch. He preached in Abington, and about five years ago accepted a call to the Attleboro Congregational Church. He has since then been a frequent visitor at the Whitmarsh home. The Whitmarshes separated in 1897.

## COMANCHE DISABLED AT SEA.

**Clyde Liner Loses Her Rudder When Near-ing Charleston—Towed Into Port.**

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 22.—The Clyde Line steamship Comanche, Capt. Platt, from New York, lost her rudder yesterday afternoon a few miles off Charleston and was forced to anchor until this afternoon, when towboats sent from here to assist her brought her safely into port. How the rudder was lost is not known.

The Comanche was proceeding without difficulty on a straight course. When near the entrance to Charleston harbor it was discovered that she would not obey her helm. The captain cast anchor and awaited for assistance. The Arapahoe of the same line, from Jacksonville, came up a few hours afterward, and the plight of the Comanche was made known to Capt. Kemble of that ship. The Arapahoe stood by until this morning, when she came up to Charleston. Towboats were at once sent out to the Comanche, and there was a large passenger list on the Comanche, but nobody had any anxiety, as the ship rode easily at anchor.

The Comanche carried 153 passengers, a large number of whom were going to Florida to avoid the rigorous March weather.

## OLD MODEL REGS.

**Tom Hughes Had Letters From Artists In His Pockets.**

Tom Hughes, a gray-bearded patriarch, was arrested last night in front of the Café Martin, for begging. In the Tenderloin station house he said that he earned a living by posing for artists, but that he had been in a hospital for some time and had come out "dead broke."

In his pockets was found a letter signed Charles Dana Gibson making an appointment for him to pose next Wednesday. There were also letters signed with the names of other well-known artists.

The sergeant said that he was sorry he had to hold him.

## ITALIAN STEAMER ASHORE.

**The Monckfield Strikes on Alligator Reef, Off Florida.**

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
HAVANA, Feb. 22.—The captain of the Ward Line steamer Havana, which arrived here to-day from New York, reports that he saw the Italian steamer Monckfield ashore near Alligator Reef off Florida coast. An English steamer was trying to pull her off.

## TURKEY AFTER MONEY.

**Arrangements Made for a Loan of \$1,000,000.**

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
FRANKFORT, Feb. 22.—The Turkish Government has arranged for a loan of \$200,000 Turkish through the Ottoman Bank.

## BREMEN GRAB MERCHANT FAIR.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
BREMEN, Feb. 22.—Johann Lahrsen, grain merchant, has failed. His liabilities are estimated at £50,000 and his assets at £10,000. A number of German and American firms are affected by the failure.

## PROF. JENKS SEES CHINESE EMPEROR.

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
PEKING, Feb. 22.—Prof. Jenks, a member of the United States Commission on International Exchange, had an audience to-day with the Emperor.

## ALL DEERFOOT FARM SAUSAGES.

are made at the Farm in Southboro, Mass. Their success is owing to the choice materials and the neatness and cleanliness of the preparation.—Ad.

## CALVE FAINTS AT THE OPERA.

### AN UNREHEARSED INCIDENT IN "CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA."

**Mr. Campanari Tries to Catch Her, but She's a Real Burden—Two Scene Shifters Help—She Had Had a Tooth Pulled on Sunday—Able to Sing in "Mefistofele."**

A great many persons wondered what Mme. Calvé would do last night to add fresh interest to her performance of *Santuzza* in "Cavalleria Rusticana" at the Metropolitan Opera House. In all probability the eminent French soprano had not rehearsed the little scene which she enacted at the end of the first act.

She was just about to begin the duet with Mr. Campanari when she suddenly sank down in a limp and helpless heap. Mr. Campanari made a brave effort to raise her, but she is a plump and substantial person and he had to give it up. Two stage hands carried her off the stage.

The curtain was rung down and the performance was interrupted for a few moments. The orchestra bravely sprang into the imminent deadly breach, played the intermezzo and saved the day. In the termination of the act of *Cavalleria Rusticana*, Mr. Corradini himself appeared before the curtain and announced that Mme. Calvé would be ready to sing in the prison scene from *Boito's* "Mefistofele," which was the last thing on the programme.

The cause of all this excitement was a slight weakness of the heart, brought on by an ulcerated tooth which was pulled—the tooth, not the ulcer—on Sunday evening.

There was a hurry call for a physician when Mme. Calvé fainted. Dr. Holbrook Cones attended her and she was able to appear in the final piece.

The prison scene from "Mefistofele" was originally scheduled to take place at the beginning of the programme, but was shifted to the end out of consideration for Mme. Calvé, so that Delibes's delightful ballet, "Coppelia," might separate her two appearances. The ballet was danced with sprightly grace and skill by the corps, and Bianca Frolich repeated her careful and rather dignified impersonation of *Svanilda*.

## W. LANMAN BULL, JR., WEDS.

**Took Miss Matilda E. Heppenheimer to Wife Two Weeks Ago.**

The marriage of W. Lanman Bull, Jr., son of the former president of the Stock Exchange, to Matilda E. Heppenheimer of 703 Lexington avenue, was announced yesterday as having occurred on Monday, Feb. 8, at the Marble Collegiate Church. The Rev. Alfred E. Myers performed the ceremony. At the house of W. L. Bull, 86 Fifth avenue, it was said last night that the bride and bridegroom had started yesterday for Saratoga on their honeymoon. The marriage advertisement was sent from Mr. Bull's house.

The bride is a daughter of Otto Heppenheimer, who lives at 703 Lexington avenue. Mr. Heppenheimer was a member of the firm of F. Heppenheimer Sons, which was absorbed by the American Lithographing Company. He is now a stockholder in the company.

The bride's grandfather was Jacob Rudolph, a civil engineer, who died about six months ago. Her uncle is Jacob William F. Rudolph, a city surveyor, who lives at 703 Lexington avenue. He said last night: "My niece was with me when she met her husband. It was at a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria about five years ago. She is younger than Mr. Bull."

"Mr. Bull's parents were present at the wedding, as were about fifteen others, including the bridegroom's brother. The marriage notice was delayed for several reasons. Right after the marriage Mr. Bull took one of his brothers, who is ill, to the Bahamas. Another reason for the delay in announcing the marriage was the death of my niece's grandfather. The couple are now in Saratoga on their honeymoon."

Not at the wedding, as he was in California at the time and is still there. Mr. Bull is about 25 years old."

## ABOUT G. WASHINGTON.

**Gov. Pennypacker Discovers Some Interesting Facts.**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Gov. Pennypacker has discovered the real George Washington. He told the University of Pennsylvania about it to-day. Following are some of his discoveries: Washington wore false teeth, in part carved from the tusk of a hippopotamus. He had a green parchment pocketbook kept in a hair trunk. He tied his keys together with a string.

On New Year's Day he served punch and cake. He went to the circus. He saw the first balloon ascension in America. He passed the bottle about pretty freely and got quite merry. When he wanted to marry he looked for a woman with a bit of money laid by and a nice bit of land. He signed papers referring to the assassination of Junonville and "left no explanation to satisfy."

Every time there was anything big to be done Washington had to come to Pennsylvania to do it, said the Governor. Then the Dutch helped him. Gov. Pennypacker is of Dutch descent.

"Two years after he left Philadelphia he was dead," said the Governor. Everybody applauded vigorously. No one said why. After this the university conferred numerous degrees.

## THREE DEAD IN A HOTEL FIRE.

**Panic Follows the Discovery of Flames in the Alhambra in Chicago.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Three persons were burned to death, several injured severely and 200 others, including women and children, were thrown into a panic by a fire which destroyed the Alhambra Hotel, Nineteenth and State streets, and badly damaged the Alhambra Theatre early to-day. Trunks and clothing were tossed out of the windows and guests in the Hotel Ingomar, in the rear, also were driven panic-stricken from their rooms.

Starting from the basement, the flames spread rapidly and soon enveloped the entire three story brick building at 1906 State street. Over a dozen stores were destroyed. The dead are Frank Beckman, formerly employed by Heath & Milligan of Cincinnati; William Fisher, employed by Gerrie Bros., Cincinnati, and Mrs. Anna Wells of Chicago.

## HAS CURED CANCER.

**Dr. Doyen Reports to Paris Academy of Medicine on His Treatment.**

**Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.**  
PARIS, Feb. 22.—Dr. Doyen, an eminent physician, to-day read a paper before the Academy of Medicine on a new method of treating cancer by injecting serum prepared from the micrococci neoformans microbe, peculiar to cancerous tumors.

Of 126 cases treated in two years fifty-eight did not show favorable results, forty-seven improved in varying degrees and twenty-one now do not show any trace of cancer and are regarded as cured.

Dr. Doyen says that cancer is no longer incurable if treatment is begun early enough and is perseveringly applied. His treatment is not applicable, however, when cancerous growths have attacked the ganglions or viscera.

## TREES IN WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS.

**The President Plants One and Mrs. Roosevelt Plants Another.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The President and Mrs. Roosevelt planted two trees in the White House grounds to-day. Workmen had prepared the ground for the trees directly east of the east wing of the White House, which was constructed when the mansion was remodelled in the summer of 1902. The trees, which are of the fern-leaf beech variety, had been placed in position, and all that remained for the President and Mrs. Roosevelt to do was to throw a spadeful of earth around each tree. In this way the President "planted" one tree and his wife the other.

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